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## Senate Bill 2

By: Senators Douglas of the 17th, Staton of the 18th, Jackson of the 24th and Murphy of the 27th

## AS PASSED SENATE

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 40-6-395 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer and impersonating a law enforcement officer,
- 3 so as to modify certain conditions when such offense shall be treated as a felony offense; to
- 4 provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal
- 5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

/	SECTION 1.
8	Code Section 40-6-395 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fleeing or
9	attempting to elude a police officer and impersonating a law enforcement officer, is amended
10	by revising subparagraph (b)(5)(A) as follows:
11	"(5)(A) Any person violating the provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section who,
12	while fleeing or attempting to elude a pursuing police vehicle or police officer in an
13	attempt to escape arrest for any offense, other than a violation of this chapter, not
14	expressly provided for in this paragraph:
15	(i) operates Operates his or her vehicle in excess of 30 20 miles an hour above the
16	posted speed limit;
17	(ii) strikes Strikes or collides with another vehicle or a pedestrian;
18	(iii) flees Flees in traffic conditions which place the general public at risk of receiving
19	serious injuries <u>;</u>
20	(iv) Commits a violation of paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section
21	<u>40-6-391;</u> or
22	(v) leaves Leaves the state
23	shall be guilty of a felony punishable by a fine of \$5,000.00 or imprisonment for not
24	less than one year nor more than five years or both."

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- 26 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 27 without such approval and shall apply to offenses committed on or after such date.

28 SECTION 3.

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.